

### FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

February 3, 2000

Rachael Malloy, Treasurer IMC Global Operations Inc. Political Action Committee 2100 Sanders Road Northbrook, iL 60062

Identification Number: C00225367

Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/99-6/30/99)

Dear Ms. Malloy:

This letter is to inform you that as of February 2, 2000, the Commission has not received your response to our request for additional information, dated January 12, 2000. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. To ensure compliance with the provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act (the Act), please respond to this request (copy enclosed).

The Commission is in receipt of your Amended Statement of Organization and 1999 Year End Report dated January 17 and 19, 2000, respectively; however, they do not address the issues in our letter. If no response is received within fifteen (15) days from the date of this notice, the Commission may choose to initiate audit or legal enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Lucy J. Denny on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director

Reports Analysis Division

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Dear Ms. Malloy:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

- •The beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your 1998 Year End Report. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.
- Schedule A supporting Line 11(a)(i) of your report discloses contributions received through what appears to be a payroll deduction plan. Please amend your report to disclose the amount that was deducted each pay period. 11 CFR §104.8(b) Please refer to the enclosed sample of properly reported payroll deductions.
- -Your report disclosed a category of financial activity that has been reflected on the wrong line of the Detailed Summary Page. Administrative expenses should be properly disclosed on a separate Schedule B, supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please refer to the instructions contained on the forms to determine the proper categorization when preparing your next filing.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above

problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530. My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Lucy J. Denny

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### **Payroli Deductions**

Once an individual's deductions aggregate over \$200 in a calendar year, report the total amount deducted from the donor's paychecks during the reporting period on Schedule A. in parentheses indicate the amount that was deducted each pay period. Instead of stating a specific date of receipt, write "payrolf deduction" under "Date." The other itemized information, including the year-to-data total, must be completed for each donor, 104.8(b).

example: During an election year, a corporate manager authorizes has employer to deduct \$15 per pay period (each pay period is two weeks) for the company's SSF. The SSF, which files FEC reports on a quarterly schedule, includes the manager's first-quarter contributions (\$50 for six pay periods) as funitemized contributions on Line 11(a)(§) in the April quarterly report.

By June 30 (the closing date for the July quarterly report), 13 pay periods have passed, and the manager's appregate contributions are \$195—still below the \$200 itemization threshold. The manager's second-quarter contributions again are included in "unitemized contributions" in the July report.

By September 30 (the closing date for the October quarterly report), 19 pay periods have passed, and the manager's contributions reach \$285. Now the committee Hemizes the total contributions received from the manager during the third quarter (\$90), providing the year-to-date total in the appropriate space. (See Hem A in the illustration above.)

#### in-Kind Contributions

When determining whether to itemize an in-kind contribution, follow the same guidelines tisted above under "When to Hemize Receipts." See page 5 for information on how to determine the dollar value of an in-kind contribution.

In addition, edd the value of the in-kind contribution to the operating expenditures total on Line 21(b) (in order to avoid inflating the cash-on-hand emount), 104,13(a)(2).

If the in-kind contribution must be Remized on Schedule A, then it must also be itemized on a Schedule B for operating expenditures. See the Illustration at left.

